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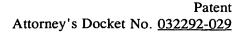
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International Search Report issued in connection with International Application No. PCT/EP01/13850, mailed September 4, 2002:

U.S. Patent No. 5,537,404, issued to Bentley et al., July 16, 1996.

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) no fee or statement is required.

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